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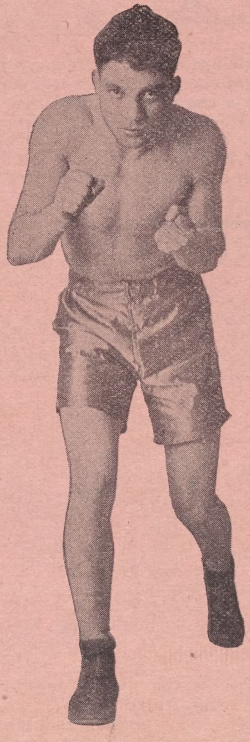
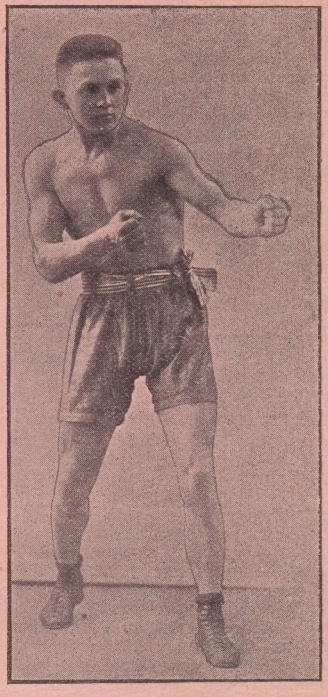




FRANKIE SCHMALZER

Hard Hitting Milwaukee Featherweight Ready to Box the Best Boys in His Division

Many Great Fighters Are Forced to Leave Home Town to Win Recognition as Topnotch Battlers

Boxer Generally Is Like Prophet That Won Honors Everywhere But in His Own Country—Dempsey, Attell and Young Corbett Notable Examples—Six Figure Purse Draws Challengers for Jack Dempsey's Title—Loser's End Against Champion Is Better Than Winner's Share Against Lesser Lights

BY OTTO FLOTO
(Special Sports Writer for Kansas City Post)

KANSAS CITY—Col. George K. Opportunity in making his rounds generally raps but once on the selected portal of the fortunate one. Those failing to heed the knock remain among the tribe which never advance while those who heed the call swing back the doors and bid the old colonel enter, are ever found among the leaders.

Our attention was called to a young Western fighter of much promise, who, offered a chance to go East and mingle with the select society of mitt swingers and handled by a popular and successful salesman of the cauliflower specie, at the eleventh hour took the run out powder for some unexplainable reason to remain in the rarified altitude of his native burg. He is still young and therefore other chances are coming to him, but on this occasion he certainly "booted" a wonderful opening to show his wares in the East where the money is of large proportions and the yokels abound in multitude.

True, the opposition is tougher but you soon learn, whether you are a success or a failure at the calling. Whether you are able to be numbered among the elite of the facefrescoing clan or whether you are the proverbial human punching bag we've read so much about. A game man, however, is willing to take all these chances so that the fight fan may have the Bradstreet or Dun rating on his fistic ability.

Fighters Must Prove Worth

We've always been firm in the belief that a fighter must bring his wares to the market of demand and unless he does this his chances of reaching the pinnacle are remote.

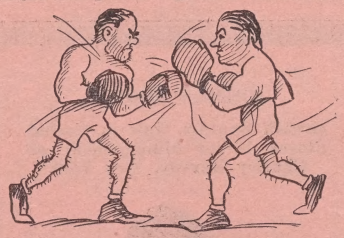
Look at Jack Dempsey for instance, he was just as good a fighter when battling at Cripple Creek, Victor and other Colorado mining towns as he is today. But folks never realized his worth and rating because he did all his work in the mountain fastness. Once he left and struck out in the world, he was not long in arriving at his proper destination.

Young Corbett was another who, while confining his efforts to Denver remained among the ordinary, but no sooner had he taken that trip to Hartford, Conn., and the world heard of his prowess because he clammed the "Terrible Terry" so hard on the mat that all he heard was tweet-tweet, tweet-tweet, rendered in bass by little yellow feathered birdies.

Abe Attell was boxing preliminaries in the Colorado Athletic Club when the rattler carried him to St. Louis, where he soon reached his championship heights. And none of the above three world's champions would have ever reached recognition had they remained at the fireside of the old homestead.

Youngster Wavers

The young man we have in mind is just as promising now as were the



other Colorado boys. He may never become a champion but it will certainly take a champion to beat him right now. He is wavering at taking the chance because he is listening to friends who mean well but are advising him against his own interests.

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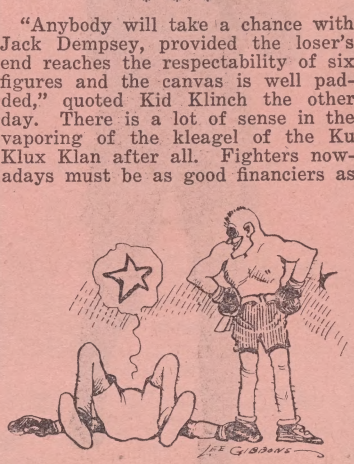
"Anybody will take a chance with Jack Dempsey, provided the loser's end reaches the respectability of six figures and the canvas is well padded," quoted Kid Klinch the other day. There is a lot of sense in the vaporing of the kleagel of the Ku Klux Klan after all. Fighters nowadays must be as good financiers as



they are in the art of tossing the leather confetti or they'll not get very far, and a fighter indulging in mathematics who fails to reach the conclusion that a losing "end" against Dempsey is a far more profitable adventure than a winning "end" against some other opponent hasn't learned his fistic arithmetic. Small wonder, then, that challenges are hurled at the champion's head like shrapnel from a modern howitzer. It's taking advantage of the law of percentages that enables you to hold the winning hand.

Jess Is Making Hay

Jess Willard saw this condition and is doing his best to make hay while the sun shines. Tommy Gibbons is another who realizes what a battle against the champion means, not only financially, but from a publicity angle as well, and so does Firpo, the South American, Floyd Johnson, the promising youngster from Iowa, and others rush at express speed into the maelstrom of challengers for the title, and what's more we cannot blame any of them for trying. We can anticipate the result far in advance, for the mighty "Manassa Mauler's" fist will lay low any and all of the crew now seeking action with him in the ring. As James J. Coffroth puts it: "Dempsey might as well tackle any of them, first come, first served, for the finish will be all the same to any of them."

Jess Willard has the experts guessing as to his age. Jess says he is 36 years old. On the tombstone that marks his father's grave it says he died in 1879, so figure out for yourself just how old the former champion is. And, by the way, age isn't near the handicap to a fighter which idleness proves itself to be. We have heard it said, "Look at Bob Fitzsimmons; he was still good at 40." True, but look at Bob's record and then peek at Willard's and you'll find how often Fitz fought as compared to Jess. It's the long idleness that hurts.

Dempsey Meets All Comers

Some might say this of Dempsey, but remember Jack is meeting all comers on his tours, sometimes as many as twenty different men a week. That's keeping busy, isn't it? Willard has seldom appeared in a bout since the Toledo affair, and then only with a sparring partner. "If I boxed with the same sparring partner night after night it might hurt my fighting, but you see I meet so many different men and all box different, and I learn something from all of them, so that it is really beneficial to me," is the manner in which Jack Dempsey expressed himself when last he was in Kansas City. There may be a lot to that.

Tom Andrews' Timely Ring Gossip

EL PASO, Texas.—The boxing game in Texas, at least in the most important centers, seems very uncertain. The game has not been legalized there, as in many of the States, although during the war period boxing bouts were held at all of the Military Camps. El Paso has been the principal spot for fairly good matches, although San Antonio has not been far behind from time to time.

Tom S. Andrews

El Paso promoters have been unfortunate in running into poor matches at a time when they had succeeded in building up the game to a point where the fans had confidence in them. However, with the game uncertain in the city, the promoters have always been able to work in with the Mexican promoters on the other side of the river in Juarez. Jimmy Irwin, an El Paso boy, has been quite successful in staging shows in the Mexican town, but recently struck one of the bad ones, the Frank Carbone—Tiger Flowers match, which ended in a riot and nearly ruined everything in the town, fistically speaking. Carbone had the most exciting time of his young life. In the tenth round the fight broke up in a riot and Mr. Carbone thought he was being badly treated. Two Mexican officers, or rather judges, wanted to save the Brooklyn boy from serious trouble and tried to escort him safely from the Arena. Frank had an idea that they were trying to arrest him, and proceeded to wallop the two judges. Thereupon a corps of Mexican policemen lit with all fours on Frank and he was landed in jail unconscious. It cost Carbone $153 to get out of jail and back to Uncle Sam's land.

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Mistah Flowers is some card in Juarez and the promoters are now trying to land a light heavyweight who is tougher than the colored man whom Walk Miller sent west from Atlanta, Ga. Promoter Irwin wants to land a real battler, so if there are any who think they are tougher than Carbone, let them communicate with the El Paso man.

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Sam Langford, the "Boston Tar Baby," is making quite a sojourn in El Paso. Sam made himself solid by whipping a couple of big fellows and is now looking for more of the same kind.

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Tommy O'Brien, the California lightweight, and Red Cole, St. Louis welter, were visitors in El Paso and Juarez. They were offered matches, but preferred to continue on to the Golden State where they have engagements, but expect to return to El Paso in a month, when they will probably meet some fairly good boys of their own class. At least O'Brien expects to be matched. Tommy wants to get even for some of the deals handed him while in Juarez. Tommy attended a cocking main at the Royal Cock pit Arena, and for a time did very well backing the American Birds. Then toward the end the Mexicans sprung a "Mystery Bird"; at least the Yanks knew nothing about it, but they were loyal and backed the American bird just the same.

COFFROTH WILL BID HIGH FOR DEMPSEY FIGHT IN MEXICO

BY TOM S. ANDREWS
Special to Boxing Blade

Los Angeles, Calif.—In an interview with the writer at Tijuana, Mexico, Jim Coffroth, California promoter stated that he stands ready to meet any offer Tex Rickard, Tom O'Rourke or Harry Frazee makes for a Jack Dempsey-Jess Willard or a Dempsey-Harry Wills match. Coffroth said he would meet any guarantee or work with the boxers on a straight percentage basis. He prefers a big man to Tom Gibbons as he fears Gibbons is too small for Dempsey. However, Coffroth would take Gibbons if Tom first disposes of a couple of good, big opponents. The California promoter would not disclose the place where he would stage the battles, but he would probably hold one in Tijuana.

The "Mystery Bird" was a humdinger, and the boys claim it was annexed from an American Coop, for it won in a walk and Tommy and his pals had to walk home.

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As a rule boxers are not very successful at picking winners in the fistic game. James J. Corbett, former World's Champion, has been noted for his many failures in that line, despite the fact that Jim was probably the most scientific boxer ever developed in the heavyweight ranks. However, there are exceptions, and Jack Britton, ex-welterweight champion seems to belong to that class. Jack has seldom missed his guess and when he offered to bet $10,000 the other day, that Tommy Gibbons would outpoint Champion Jack Dempsey should they meet in a limited round bout, he created a sensation around the boxing centers of New York. This came as a result of Tommy Gibbons depositing $2,500 forfeit to bind a championship match with the Champion. It may be that Britton and his manager, Dan Morgan, want to help Tommy along in his efforts to land the match, but Britton is not given much to talking or boasting, and the chances are he means just what he says about backing Gibbons to the extent of $10,000 to win. Dan Morgan never did sing the praises of Jack Dempsey, probably because Jack took Battling Levinsky into camp for a beating. Tommy Gibbons is a fine boxer and no mistake, being a straight puncher with a mighty, good left hand, but whether he can stand the assault of Mr. Dempsey and retain his cleverness is another question. We think not. At the same time we do think Gibbons will give a much more satisfactory battle with the Champion than any of the proposed contenders —Jess Willard, Joe Beckett or Louis Firpo. The latter is a mere novice, the same as Floyd Johnson and Knute Hansen.

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While on the subject of heavyweights it might be well to mention the fact that whoever may be Dempsey's opponent will have to take a very short end of the money. According to the latest dope Jack and his manager, Jack Kearns want $500,000 for their end of the bargain, or if it is a percentage affair they will be satisfied with 60 per cent for their bit. That will please Tex Rickard—maybe. If the contender received 15 per cent for his part in the battle it would leave the promoter just 25 per cent to work on, which would mean little or nothing after all expenses were paid. Little encouragement for a man like Rickard or any other promoter to put up an Arena costing $150,000 or more for a few big boxing matches. The Champion is entitled to a fair break in such matches, even to the extent of receiving the big end of the purse, etc., but not to grab off everything in sight. It is the fans who pay the freight and they should have a little voice in the matter. Keep the prices of admission down where the real fans can get a "look-in" without having to mortgage their jobs, and let the Champion work on a reasonable percentage basis with the contender receiving fair treatment.

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In giving away weight to opponents there is never much objection to five or ten pounds among the middleweights or light heavies, but when it comes to bantams or feathers it is a very different question. The great trouble is that many of the promoters especially in the East, pay little attention to the difference in poundage of boxers. The old term "Philadelphia featherweight" was coined because the boxers there were permitted to enter the ring at almost any weight they felt like. Often 120-pound boys were put in against lads at 130 or even more. Boxers have been better classified, and no such difference in weight is permitted among the lads in the classes ranging from flyweights to welters. Eddie O'Dowd, who came near upsetting Champion

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Eastern Boxing News and Comment

By Clarence D. Gillespie

NEW YORK CITY.—The proposed Jack Dempsey-Jess Willard match is off as far as Tex Rickard is concerned. The public and press were both opposed to Willard. As Tex needs both in his promoting he saw the hand writing on the wall and after making Jack Kearns a present of $1,000 for a six day option on the champ's services, declared himself satisfied that there was no demand for the match. Willard by his actions did not help matters any, refusing to go before a body of experts and have his condition passed on. Working out privately did not help matters any. When he went on the floor of a local gym and did his shadow boxing he put the writer in mind of a big fat horse with the blind staggers. Let us hope that he retires to Kansas and resumes his livery or horse trading business. He had his fling, made plenty of money and threw down everyone that ever helped him to get the title and fortune he made through it. "Good bye, Jess. You were the most unpopular heavyweight champion that America ever produced."

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Senator Jimmy Walker, father of the boxing law in New York State, has come out with a statement that Harry Wills or any other colored boxer must not be discriminated against. This is in answer to Chairman Muldoon having put the bars up on a Dempsey-Wills contest. He says that if the Chairman does not rescind the order he will draw a bill to have the present law repealed.

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Leo Gates is a light heavyweight that will bear watching in the future. He has Indian blood in his veins, and like his ancestors Leo is as game as they make 'em. He wants to meet the topnotchers and is anxious to tackle Gene Tunney.

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Babe Herman by a wonderful finish in the last three rounds of a twelve-round bout took the decision over Willie Kohler at the Broadway Club, Brooklyn, January 29th. He jumped up to Hartford, Conn., two days later and held Eddie (Kid) Wagner to a draw after twelve of the fastest rounds seen at the latter city in many a day.

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Harry Greb defended his light heavyweight title against Tommy Loughran in a fifteen-round bout at the Garden, January 31st. The fight was not much to look at and Greb got away with everything, as he used the roughest and foulest tactics ever seen in the Garden. He won a fight that he should have lost at least a dozen times. This Loughran fellow will be heard from in the future. One of the poorest crowds of the season attended. The gate was $22,000.

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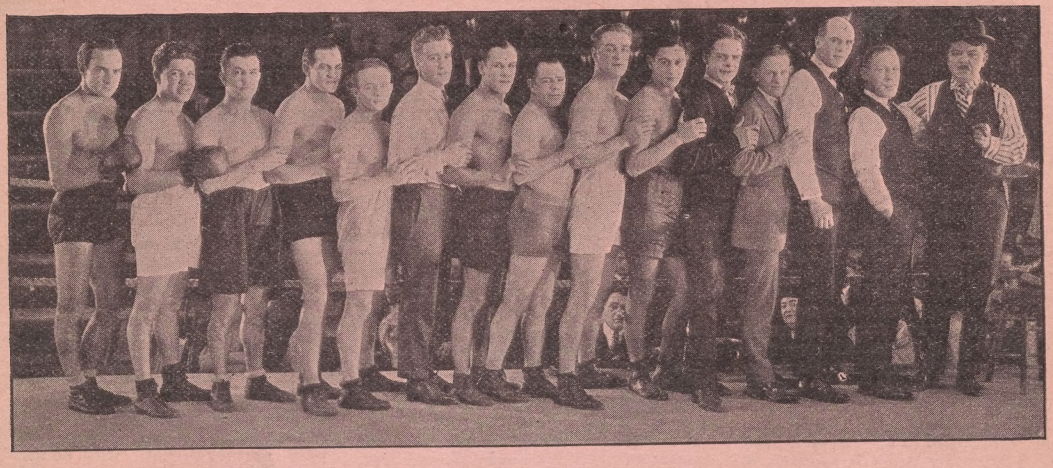
Johnny Dundee, the marvel of the ring, fought Elino Flores fifteen rounds at the Garden, February 2nd. For thirteen rounds he peppered the Filipino's body with rights and lefts. In the middle of the 13th, Dundee caught Elino with a left hook to the chin flooring him in a way that looked like for keeps, but the game youngster gathered himself together and got up at the count of nine. Once more with only about ten seconds to go, Johnny put Flores down again only to have the bell come to his rescue. Flores managed to hold his feet through the fourteenth round although he took a bad lacing. In the last round Johnny went out to finish his man and scored two knockdowns but was too tired to finish his game opponent. Johnny took the verdict. The receipts were $34,895 and the attendance 10,700 persons.

Of this number 9,639 paid for tickets. Dundee received 37½ per cent, $11,301.30. Flores fought for 12½ per cent, which brought his end up to $3,767.10. The tickets sold were:

1,997 at $1	$ 1,997.00
1,998 at $2	3,996.00
2,717 at $3	8,151.00
1,455 at $5	7,275.00
1,472 at $7	10,304.00
Total	$31,723.00
With Government tax of 10 per cent added	3,172.30
Total	$34,895.30



This group of boxers and film actors good, bad and indifferent, assembled recently at the F. B. O. studios in Hollywood to appear in the "Fighting Blood" series, based on H. C. Witwer's famous stories, the hero of which is a lowly soda jerker who became champion of the world. Those in the accompanying picture are, reading from left to right, George O'Hara, who portrays the role of Gale Galen, hero of the stories; Joe Rivers, once famous lightweight, who fought many memorable battles on the Pacific Coast; Al Wolgast, former lightweight champion of the world; George Houck, Frankie Adams, Larry McGrath, former bantamweight and now a fight referee on the Coast; George Sherman, Texas Kid, Ray Johnson, George Lavigne, Kit Guard, Jimmie Dunning, Bob Perry, Johnnie Thompson and Al Cooke, who plays the part of the fight promoter in the film.

Breezy Broadway Boxing Bits

By Arthur T. Lumley

TWO boxing shows a week is too many for any club to run.

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One cuts into the other financially rather considerably.

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Arthur T. Lumley

Surely even Tex Rickard has evidently discovered this quite recently.

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There were only about 5,000 present to see Harry Greb box Tommy Loughran.

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So maybe it's well for the smaller clubs they are only allowed one show a week.

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Greb certainly got away with a dozen or more fouls.

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If some of the smaller clubs staged such inferior combats what a razzing there would be.

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Hundreds of classy fighters are sidetracked if they are not in with the hog clique.

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Certain hungry wolves cut in on most every boxer's end or they get no match.

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A manager of a probable contender against Jack Dempsey might a tale unfold.

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But if he squawks the hog clique would quickly give him the gate.

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So this same manager does not get the big money he's supposed to be paid for his fighters' battling.

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"All is not gold that glitters."

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If half of the tricks of clique were exposed it might cause the repeal of the boxing law in this state.

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Right under the nose of the comic commish a lot of crooked schemes are pulled off.

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But the commish is too busy concocting new rules and ballyhooing its supposed efficiency.

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How can the board be efficient when they license so many incompetent referees, judges and inspectors?

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Favorite fighters are allowed to foul constantly and break other rules.

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Some of the inspectors need a little extra jack and don't hesitate to ask for it.

Oh, what a fine story some of the managers of the smaller clubs might tell!

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But they do not dare reveal the inner secrets.

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They must take their medicine and saw wood.

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Some fighters invariably put up a great battle in their home town.

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But when they hit New York they seem to blow up.

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Some of our fancy referees appear to be playing lawn tennis in the ring.

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They do so much grotesque hopping and jumping about.

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No wonder Johnny McAvoy is exhausted after refereeing a 15-round bout.

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Paul Doyle seems to be a very dangerous knockout welterweight at present.

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He's coming to the front fast as a worthy contender for the championship.

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Charley Nashet of Oklahoma made a great impression recently at the Garden as a most likely light heavyweight.

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Dan Morgan has taken Nashet under his wing and will probably make a real fighter out of the Oklahoma boy.

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For it's very seldom indeed, that Sir Daniel ever makes a mistake in picking a comer.

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There's many a boxer who fights wonderfully, but hardly ever wins.

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They are like some doctors who perform very successful operations, but the poor patients usually die.

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Jack Britton runs a profitable auto supply business at Yonkers, New York.

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Dr. Braun, the fistic chiropractor, is treating Britton for insomnia.

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Jack seems to be still worrying over his financial investments according to his philosophical manager.

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No one can be shot for offering Dempsey $1,000,000 for any easy bout.

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Especially when there's a string attached to the big offer.

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But the wise birds know that Rickard has had Dempsey, Willard and other big stars signed up for many moons.

And it's only a waste of wind and bluff for any other promoters to try and match them up.

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Philadelphia Jack O'Brien has a couple of millionaire heavyweights under his instructions.

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"Either of them could whip Dempsey," says O'Brien, "but nothing could induce them to fight professionally."

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It was O'Brien who taught Major A. J. Drexel Biddle to become such a clever boxer.

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Had not Drexel been also a millionaire he might have been a big fistic star.

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Harry Wills may be the most formidable and logical opponent for Dempsey.

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But it's very evident that the Brown Panther will be left at post in the race for the big title.

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A couple of other candidates will get the first crack at the champion.

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In the interim Paddy Mullins, Wills' manager, sits in deep silence wondering when all the ballyhooing blatherskiting will end.

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Manager Mullins has certainly the patience of St. Patrick, himself.

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"You can't kill time, you can waste it," says a philosopher.

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The comic commish should compel Eddie Mead, Joe Woodman, Jack Rodgers, Paddy Mullins and other overfat managers to get down to weight.

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It's awful to see these ponderous fellows climbing in and out a ring, while seconding their boxers.

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Corporal Schwartz, a likely flyweight, is a product of the Hebrew Orphan Asylum.

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An orphan asylum is an odd place to pick a clever fighter from.

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Maybe managers might pick some few wild ones from an insane asylum.

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But most of the impresarios better keep away from the bughouses if they value their freedom.

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For surely there's a big herd of them running around loose that should be in captivity.

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Especially around the numerous offices on Broadway just at present.

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They rave in the millions with no good big eats in sight.

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BOXING as a sport has long ago lived down the opposition of those who regarded it as brutal and demoralizing. There are still a few reformers who contemptuously refer to it as a commercial speculation.

Opponents of sport invariably allow their bias to find outlet in outrageously exaggerated language that reflects an unwarrantable interference in other people's pleasures.

Few sports are so universally international as boxing. As it has advanced in popularity, so has it improved. From a hole and corner frolic it has grown into a public spectacle and that on a scale which its keenest supporters could never have anticipated.

That there is a big public willing to pay to see first class matches has been proved during the past year which has provided more big shows than any previous period in the history of boxing.

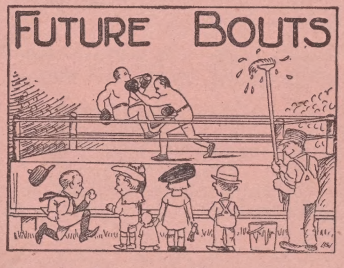
The introduction of the French nation to boxing, dates but a few years back, yet already they are in possession of two European titles and one world's crown. When she has completely recovered from the ravages sustained during that dreadful period that began in July, 1914, France will take a foremost place in the professional boxing world. The sport has taken a strong hold on the affections of the French nation.

The German nation showed signs of taking up the game with their characteristic thoroughness, but for the time being its supporters and their efforts somewhat impaired by the infliction of a crushing entertainment tax. English boxers who have recently returned from Berlin report that when the financial troubles of Germany are finally solved there is a big future for boxing in the Fatherland.

The little Republic of Switzerland fosters boxing on a small scale and even boasts a professional federation. Up to date its champions have not cut much ice in international contests, but the boys, if beaten have proved their gameness and are by no means deficient in skill. Italy and Belgium have, too, their governing organizations for the improvement and regulation of the professional sides of the game, while Spain has also sent to Paris and London boxers of no mean ability.

The practice of engaging in international bouts cannot but be of immense educational value to the boxers of the minor nations of Europe. British boxers were some time realizing that American training methods and ring tactics were strong factors that they would do well to study and acquire, and it cannot be denied that the leading boxers of England during the past 15 years or so owe much to American teachings or to practice acquired during visits to the States. The fruits of their experiences are being passed on to the young fistic aspirants of other nations the results of which will be seen in the years to come.

A big impetus could be given to the sport by the International Boxing Association if that burlesque organization would adopt some settled policy. As it is, that body is international in name only.



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Mike Paulson vs. Jim Darren, 12 rounds, Butte, Mont., Feb. 14th.

Pinkey Mitchell vs. Johnny Tillman, 10 rounds, Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 13th.

Johnny Coney vs. Harvey Bright, New York City, March 19th.

Willie Herman vs. Chubby Brown, 12 rounds, Rochester, N. Y., Feb. 12th.

Sammy Sieger vs. Babe Herman, 12 rounds, New York City, Feb. 20th.

Sammy Sieger vs. Nick Foley, 12 rounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 26th.

Johnny Clinton vs. Johnny Darcy, 10 rounds, Lowell, Mass., Feb. 15th.

Frankie Fleming vs. Jay Lanahan, 12 rounds, Staten Island, N. Y., Feb. 19th.

Jimmy Kelley vs. Young Laurette, 10 rounds, Troy, N. Y., Feb. 12th.

Moe Ginsberg vs. Danny Brown, 10 rounds, Albany, N. Y., Feb. 13th.

Dutch Brandt vs. Jack Sharkey, 12 rounds, Brooklyn, N. Y., March 5th.

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Wee Wee Willie Spencer vs. Frankie Jerome, 12 rounds, Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 12th.

Tom Gibbons vs. Floyd Johnson, 15 rounds, New York City, March 19th.

Billy Conley vs. Speedy Sparks, 10 rounds, Enid, Okla., Feb. 15th.

Howard Page vs. Harry Dahl, 10 rounds, Zap, N. D., Feb. 21st.

Kid Belt vs. Harry Bramer, 10 rounds, Canon City, Colo., Feb. 22nd.

Anthony Downey vs. Mike O'Dowd, 10 rounds, Omaha, Nebr., March 16th.

Joe Downey vs. Homer Smith, 10 rounds, Kalamazoo, Mich., Feb. 23rd.

K. O. Mars vs. Geo. (K. O.) Chaney, 10 rounds, Youngstown, Ohio, Feb. 20th.

Bat Krause vs. Glen Hackensick, 10 rounds, Ellendale, N. D., Feb. 21st.

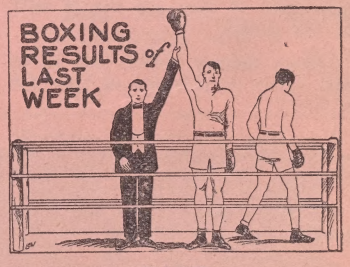
Bat Krause vs. Joe Mang, 10 rounds, Bismarck, N. D., Feb. 16th.

Ralph McCann vs. Merle Collis, 10 rounds, Bismarck, N. D., Feb. 16th.

Morgan Jones vs. Ted Krache, 10 rounds, Aberdeen, Wash., Feb. 12th.

Pal Moose vs. Bud Taylor, 10 rounds, Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 13th.

Bud Christiano vs. Kid Henery, 10 rounds, New Straitsville, Ohio, Feb. 16th.



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Harry Greb defeated Tommy Loughran, fifteen rounds at New York City, Jan. 30th.

Paul Doyle knocked out Frankie Murphy, fifth round at New York City, Jan. 30th.

Charley (Fitzsimmons) Nashert defeated Leo Gates at New York City, Jan. 30th.

Frankie Mack and Johnny Brown boxed to a draw at New York City, Jan. 30th.

Red Cap Wilson knocked out Dave Hennessey at New York City, Jan. 30th.

Lew Tendler knocked out Jack Lawler, fifth round at Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 29th.

Bobby Wolgast and Harry (Battling) Leonard boxed eight rounds to a draw at Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 29th.

Danny Rodgers defeated Eddie Dempsey, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 29th.

Danny Gartain knocked out Willie Patterson, fifth round at Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 30th.

Babe Herman defeated Willie Kohler, twelve rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 29th.

Harry Galfund knocked out Joe Werner, sixth round at Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 29th.

Nat Pincus defeated Murray Layton at Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 29th.

Pepper Martin knocked out Sammy Stone, eleventh round at Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 27th.

Willie Singer knocked out Johnny Winters, sixth round at Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 27th.

Jay Lanahan knocked out Murray Soren, tenth round at Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 27th.

Johnny Dundee defeated Elino Flores, fifteen rounds at New York City, Feb. 2nd.

Frankie Jerome and Larry Goldberg boxed twelve rounds to a draw at New York City, Feb. 3nd.

Willie Davis and Eddie Brady boxed to a draw at New York City, Feb. 2nd.

Buddy Saunders defeated Johnny Martin, twelve rounds at New York City, Jan. 27th.

Danny Lyons and Billy Brown boxed eight rounds to a draw at New York City, Jan. 27th.

Kid Lewis defeated Billy Marlowe, twelve rounds at New York City, Jan. 29th.

Joe Ryder defeated Jackie Marlowe at New York City, Jan. 30th.

Frankie Carpenter defeated Herman Hart at New York City, Jan. 29th.

Jack McVey defeated Sandy Taylor, twelve rounds at New York City, Jan. 30th.

Little Jack Johnson and Steve Marcon boxed to a draw at New York City, Jan. 30th.

Andy Lake defeated Georgie Bush, eight rounds at New York City, Jan. 30th.

Happy Egan defeated Babe Orlando, eight rounds at New York City, Jan. 30th.

Eddie Banks defeated Tommy Fay, eight rounds at New York City, Jan. 30th.

Eddie Burnbrook knocked out Ray Cooper, second round at New York City, Jan. 31st.

Bobby Garcia knocked out Paddy McNulty, fifth round at New York City, Jan. 31st.

Dugout Johnson and Harry Brabant boxed to a draw at New York City, Jan. 31st.

Charley Murray defeated Tommy Chip, ten rounds at New York City, Feb. 1st.

Jimmy Gaudy defeated Young Otto at New York City, Feb. 1st.

Bobby Green defeated Battling Larry at New York City, Feb. 1st.

Johnny Lustig won on a foul from Georgie Werner in the third round at Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 30th.

Nat Pincus defeated Herman Schipp, four rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Joey Silvers defeated Joey Weiner at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb 1st.

August Pisano defeated Happy Gorman at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Joe Souza defeated Jackie Harris at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Johnny Vestri knocked out Murray Bresner, second round at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Al McCloskey defeated Freddy Locke at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Irving Goldberg and Willie Johnson boxed to a draw at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Lew Goldberg defeated Jackie Feldman at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Frankie Barry defeated Ernie McCarron at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Frankie Quill and Young Marcel boxed twelve rounds to a draw at Troy, N. Y., Jan. 29th.

Wolf Larsen won on a foul from Kid Norfolk in the second round at Albany, N. Y., Jan. 30th.

Teddy Meyers defeated Sid Barbarian at Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 30th.

Jack Bernstein defeated Earl Baird, twelve rounds at Harlem, N. Y., Jan. 27th.

Rocky Smith defeated Wildman Gould, twelve rounds at Harlem, N. Y., Jan. 27th.

K. O. Phil Delmont knocked out Irving Kaufman, first round at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Lew Hurley knocked out Jack Kloby, third round at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Willie Singer defeated Herman Rose at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Frankie Fasano defeated Wilbur Cohan at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Art Nelson defeated Billy Bell at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Andy Tucker defeated Murray Cohen at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Sid Burt defeated Anthony Palmer at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Sid Terris knocked out Ray Shaara, second round at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Charley McKenna defeated Gypsy Billy Daniels, twelve rounds at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Willie Darcy defeated Buck Josephs, twelve rounds at Harlem, N. Y., Feb. 1st.

Wildman Gould knocked out Johnny Bush, seventh round at Amsterdam, N. Y., Jan. 31st.

Marty Powell knocked out Phil Kline, sixth round at Amsterdam, N. Y., Jan. 31st.

Joe Borrell defeated Tarzan Larkin, twelve rounds at Jersey City, N. J., Feb. 1st.

Billy Vidabeck defeated Nick Scanlon at Jersey City, N. J., Feb. 1st.

Harry Robinson defeated Tex McEwan, eight rounds at Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 29th.

Wildman Gould defeated Georgie Wyman, eight rounds at Trenton, N. J., Jan. 29th.

Abe Friedman knocked out Paddy Owens, sixth round at Boston, Mass., Jan. 30th.

Frankie Madden defeated Young Carney, ten rounds at Boston, Mass., Jan. 30th.

"Spike" Hennessy and Lally Malia boxed eight rounds to a draw at Boston, Mass., Jan. 30th.

Harold Sullivan and Willie Garo boxed eight rounds to a draw at Boston, Mass., Jan. 30th.

Mike Morley defeated Ted Russell, ten rounds at Holyoke, Mass., Jan. 30th.

Kid Ledger defeated Joe Rosso, six rounds at Holyoke, Mass., Jan. 30th.

Al Shubert defeated Charley Manty, ten rounds at New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 29th.

Young Tansey defeated Tom Hordan, ten rounds at Brockton, Mass., Feb. 2nd.

Willie Nelson defeated Harry Kid Stone, eight rounds at Brockton, Mass., Feb. 2nd.

Jimmy Smith knocked out Al Lewis, fifth round at Brockton, Mass., Feb. 2nd.

Jimmy Reed defeated George McCaustland, six rounds at Brockton, Mass., Feb. 2nd.

Midget Smith defeated Mickey Delmont, ten rounds at Fall River, Mass., Feb. 2nd.

Al Sears defeated Tommy French, twelve rounds at Augusta, Maine, Jan. 30th.

Bert McLean knocked out Young Gans, fourth round at Augusta, Maine, Jan. 30th.

Jimmie Kid Rice knocked out Johnnie Fox, first round at Portland, Maine, Jan. 30th.

Tom Cornier defeated Dustie Dumont, six rounds at Portland, Maine, Jan. 30th.

Johnnie Morello knocked out Kid Lessard, second round at Portland, Maine, Jan. 30th.

Eddie (Kid) Wagner and Babe Herman boxed twelve rounds to a draw at Hartford, Conn., Jan. 31st.

Johnny Darcy knocked out Johnny Gilbert, second round at Mariesville, R. I., Jan. 31st.

Charlie Pilkington defeated Kid Dube, ten rounds at Mariesville, R. I., Jan. 31st.

George (Kayo) Chaney knocked out Frankie Rice, first round at Baltimore, Md., Jan. 29th.

Abe Goldstein defeated Mike Moran, ten rounds at Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 29th.

Johnnie Hamm defeated Johnnie Meyers, eight rounds at Pittsburgh, Pa., Jan. 29th.

Boo Ryan defeated Freddie Lux, four rounds at Pittsburgh, Pa,, Jan. 29th.

Indian Russell knocked out Bobby Burke, second round at Reading, Pa., Jan. 30th.

Johnny Reno defeated Martin Judge, eight rounds at Reading, Pa., Jan. 30th.

Pep O'Brien knocked out Sid Marks, fourth round at Scranton, Pa., Feb. 1st.

Jay Lanahan knocked out Leo Lavin, seventh round at Scranton, Pa., Feb. 1st.

Ivory Eshelman defeated Charlie (Kid) Murray, ten rounds at Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 30th.

Little Peter Husic knocked out Scrappy Williams, third round at Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 30th.

Steve Nitchie knocked out Don McCarthy, third round at Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 30th.

Mike Schultz defeated Joe Leitz, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 2nd.

Bobby Tracey defeated Johnny Rini, ten rounds at Erie, Pa., Feb. 2nd.

Johnny Papke defeated Eddie Leonard, ten rounds at Erie, Pa., Feb. 2nd.

Louis De Arco defeated Johnny Michaels, ten rounds at Erie, Pa., Feb. 2nd.

Jack (Kid) Wolfe defeated Eddie O'Dowd, twelve rounds at Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 1st.

Benny Valgar defeated Billy McCann, twelve rounds at Akron, Ohio, Jan. 30th.

Alex Novecky defeated George Siler, ten rounds at Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 29th.

Earl Righler defeated Mutt Snyder, six rounds at Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 29th.

Tommy Teague knocked out Jack Wolfe, first round at Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 29th.

Jimmy Jones defeated Cowboy Padgett, twelve rounds at Youngstown, Ohio, Feb. 2nd.

Jack McAuliffe knocked out Hughey Walker, third round at Detroit, Mich., Jan. 29th.

Johnny Webber and Steve Dempsey boxed six rounds to a draw at Detroit, Mich., Jan. 29th.

Johnny Melo and Lou Fisher boxed six rounds to a draw at Detroit, Mich., Jan. 29th.

Arlos Fanning knocked out George Wallace, third round at Detroit, Mich., Jan. 29th.

Joe Downey knocked out Jack Doyle, eighth round at Kalamazoo, Mich., Feb. 2nd.

Sailor Bill Gagnon knocked out Hain Blaauw seventh round at Kalamazoo, Mich., Feb. 2nd.

Starr Cook knocked out Eddie Horn, first round at Kalamazoo, Mich., Feb. 2nd.

Billy Shade defeated Joe Lohman, ten rounds at Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 2nd.

Walter Ramsen defeated Ted Marchant, ten rounds at Battle Creek, Mich., Feb. 2nd.

Dave Shade defeated Eddie Shevlin, ten rounds, at Boston, Mass., Feb. 3rd.

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Story by Rounds of Famous Fights

Each week the Boxing Blade will publish detailed rounds of some famous fights of ring history.

Final round of fight between George (Kid) Lavigne and "Elbows" McFadden at the Broadway A. C., New York City, Oct. 6, 1899.

KID LAVIGNE who has been hailed as one of the greatest lightweight fighters of all time, suffered only one knockout in his ring career. George "Elbows" McFadden, so named because of the peculiar manner in which he used his elbows for blocking, was the man who turned the trick. Lavigne took terrible punishment before he went down for the count. In the twelfth round both his eyes were almost closed.

In the fourteenth Lavigne rocked under the punishment and blood flowed freely from his nostrils. He was floored with a right to the stomach in the next round, and his weakness was apparent.

At this stage of the game it was evident that Lavigne realized that only a miracle would save him from defeat, and he went in to take a last expiring chance in the fifteenth, rushing with his head down and swinging his fists with all the power at his command. He was applauded for his courage, and even McFadden's staunchest friends could not fail to appreciate him. He fought desperately through the sixteenth and seventeenth rounds and was floored repeatedly. In the eighteenth he was so weak that a mere shove toppled him over. When he got up he clinched and was wrestled to the floor as the bell rang.

ROUND 19

LAVIGNE was very tired when the round opened. McFadden, knowing this, went at him hard in the nineteenth. For a moment the Kid seemed strong and fought back desperately. Then two swings sent him to the floor. He arose and was rushed to a corner, where he dropped again from a body blow. Once more struggling to his feet, he got at close range and was sent to the floor in a clinch. He took nine seconds this time, but a left to the jaw sent him down again. By then his seconds were on the stage and ready to throw up the sponge, but refrained from doing so, clinging to a last hope. The Kid could hardly see, yet twice more he was allowed to be beaten down. He came up again and McFadden rushing at him, sent a straight left to the chin, winding up the chances of Lavigne. He was knocked out.

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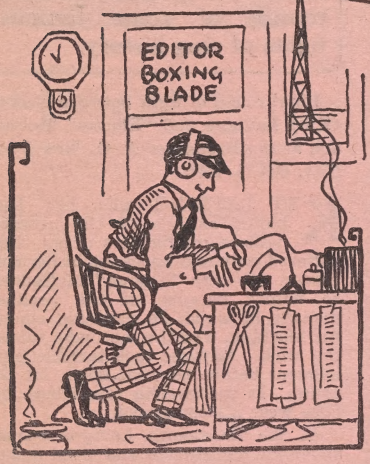

PARIS, FRANCE.—Battling Siki, the Senegalese fighter, has signed a contract with a Dublin syndicate to fight the American middleweight, Mike McTigue, in the Scala theatre, Dublin, on St. Patrick's day, according to Echo Des Sports. The fight is to be for 20 rounds for a purse of $20,000, three-fourths of which will go to the winner. McTigue is the holder of the Canadian middleweight title, which he won from Eugene Brosseau more than two years ago. He was rated at that time as one of the leading 158 pounders and formerly was boxing instructor at the New York athletic club. His last bout in the United States was 18 months ago, after which he went to Ireland where he participated in a number of contests.

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SIKI CAN'T LAND IN GREAT BRITAIN

London, Eng.—The home office has refused permission for Battling Siki, Senegalese pugilist, to land in England. Several promoters have been trying recently to arrange bouts for Siki in this country.

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FLOYD JOHNSON KNOCKS OUT MIKE NESTOR

Floyd Johnson of Iowa, aspirant to a title bout with heavyweight champion. Jack Dempsey, knocked out Mike Nestor, in the fourth frame of a 12-round match at New York, Feb. 5th.

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CHARLEY McCARTHY JOINS JACK HURLEY'S STABLE

Jack Hurley, St. Paul manager, has taken Charley McCarthy, former Canadian welterweight, into his stable of boxers. McCarthy fought two draws with Benny Leonard, and has decisions over Ted Kid Lewis, Richie Mitchell, Dennis O'Keefe, Cowboy Padgett and other topnotchers. McCarthy is a veteran of three armies in the World War. He fought with the Foreign Legion, The Canadian Princess Pats and the American 151st Artillery in the Rainbow Division. Manager Hurley claims Roscoe Hall, Des Moines boxer has run out of three bouts that were scheduled with his lightweight, Russie LeRoy.

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SPOKANE WELTER HAS GOOD RECORD

Earl Miller, Grand Forks, N. D., welterweight, is regarded as a coming champ by his admirers in the Pacific Northwest. Miller has been making Spokane, Wash., his headquarters under the management of John Gannon. He has a long string of wins, the last being an eight-round knockout over Red McCauley at Wallace, Idaho. Manager Gannon plans to take him East in the near future.

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BOXING WILL BE REVIVED IN ST. LOUIS

St. Louis, Mo.—Professional boxing will soon be revived in St. Louis under the supervision and control of the City Boxing Commission. Harry W. Uhlemeyer, alderman from the Fifteenth Ward, was named a member of the commission. Uhlemeyer was appointed by Mayor Kiel. Steps were taken to call a meeting of the commission at an early date for the purpose of formulating a set of rules and regulations under which private clubs will be permitted to stage sparring exhibitions. Maj. Horace Rumsey is chairman of the commission. The other members are: Herman Kraleman, chairman of the Public Safety Committee; Robert C. Newman, Edward E. Butler and James D. Moran.

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BOB AND TOM ROPER READY FOR ALL HEAVIES

Bob Roper and brother, Tom write that they are hard at work at Roanoke, Va., both ready for battle with any heavyweight in the country. Bob still insists that he defeated Harry Greb in their last bout and can do it again. The Ropers always give their best and are always in demand.

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PINKIE MITCHELL KEEPS TITLE FROM BUD LOGAN

Pinkie Mitchell, junior welter champion of the world, successfully defended his title against Bud Logan at Milwaukee, January 30th, in one of the best fights seen in Milwaukee for many years.

Pinkie outpointed Bud but knew that he was in a fight. From the first bell to the last both boys were trying for a K. O. The last round was a slam bang affair. Both men threw caution to the winds and finished the bout on high in whirlwind order. The show drew $10,266. Logan claims he was weakened by being forced to make 140 pounds.

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FRANKIE SCHMALZER IS READY FOR BUSY SEASON

Frankie Schmalzer, Milwaukee featherweight has joined the Gibbons-Collins stable at St. Paul and is getting ready for a busy season. Schmalzer is the boy who knocked out Earl McArthur of Sioux City last summer. Schmalzer is a hard hitter and a very clever boxer.

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JAMES J. DELANEY WINS OVER TED JAMIESON

James J. Delaney, St. Paul light heavyweight, took Ted Jamieson of Milwaukee for 10 rounds at Davenport, Iowa, February 2nd. Jim smacked Ted around the ring from first round to last, cutting Ted's left eye open in the second and keeping his face bleeding to the end. Ted was game and stood up well under Delaney's punching. James J. used every punch known to boxing, giving an exhibition of skill seldom ever seen any place. The show drew one of the largest crowds that ever attended a fight at Davenport.

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FRED COSTAIN DIES WEEK AFTER WIFE PASSES AWAY

One of the best known characters in the boxing game, Fred Costain, died January 30th, of a broken heart at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., where his beloved wife died exactly a week before, after a long illness. Costain was fifty-two years old. For the last ten years he was connected with Paddy Mullins in the management of Harry Wills, colored challenger of Champion Jack Dempsey and Mike O'Dowd, middleweight. He had been identified with the glove sport for some thirty-five years, and before his association with Mullins he and the late Johnny Mack piloted the affairs of Matty Baldwin, the great Boston lightweight of other days, who also has crossed the "Great Divide." The spark of Costain's life candle flickered out at midnight. Paddy Mullins, Scotty Montieth, Joe Woodman and George Lawrence were with the deceased at the last moment.

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SACRAMENTO MAY GET BOXING LAW

Sacramenta, Calif.—The Hawes six-round boxing bill, sponsored by Fred

OF THE WORLD

IT'S BECAUSE IT ISN'T MUCH

Hawes, Assemblyman from the Twenty-first Assembly district, San Francisco, prepared by the legislative council bureau has been introduced before the Assembly. Hawes declared that in the event of the fifteen-round bill being furthered by Harry Morrison receives favorable approval from the Legislature, he would agree to table his own pet measure.

Following is the text of Hawes' proposed constitutional amendment:

LEO GATES

Mohawk Indian Heavyweight. Gates is 22 years old, stands 6 feet 2 inches and weighs 185 pounds. He is managed by Max Meyer, New York City

Boxing exhibitions may be held within the State, of a limited number of rounds, not exceeding six, contestants weighing one hundred and forty-five pounds or over shall wear gloves of not less than eight ounces each in weight, and contestants weighing under one hundred and forty-five pounds may wear gloves of not less than six ounces each in weight.

All boxing exhibitions shall be under the control and jurisdiction of the parole board, consisting of the district attorney, the sheriff and the chief of police of the locality where said exhibitions are held. The said board shall make rules and by-laws, grant permits and set dates for exhibitions. Nothing in this section contained shall be construed to prevent any county, city and county, or incorporated city or town from prohibiting, by ordinance, the holding or conduction of any boxing exhibition, or any person from engaging in any such boxing exhibition therein.

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JACK RENAULT CHASED FROM RING BY REFEREE

Philadelphia, Pa.—Jack Renault, Canadian heavyweight and former sparring partner of Jack Dempsey, who is now proposed as an opponent of the champion, was chased out of the ring in the fifth round of his eight-round bout with Gene Tunney here when Referee "Pop" O'Brien ruled the men were not giving their best efforts.

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JACK DEMPSEY SHOWS HE STILL HAS HIS PUNCH

Gossip among some boxing followers that Jack Dempsey has gone back since he fought his last battle, because of his long inactivity in the ring is not believed by rail birds who saw him work out in the Madison Square Garden gym recently. He had them popeyed over his workout, according to reports from New York. The champion showed plenty of zip in his shadow boxing, bag punching and other workout stunts. But it was when Dempsey got down to boxing that his present splendid condition showed. He moved about the gym ring with the ease and step of a bantam.

The first man to face Demon Jack was Barney Toomey, light heavyweight champion of Ireland. Barney, old boy, had a stormy passage. The first left hook that Dempsey unleashed caught Toomey on top of the head, and Barney was headed for China immediately. He got up, and was floored several times more, but when Dempsey saw that the Irishman was fading out of the picture, he eased up a bit. They boxed but two minutes, but that first punch had evidently rocked Barney's memory.

"How many rounds did I stick wid him?" asked Barney of a handler. "Six," said the bottle man with a wink over B's head.

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TWO BOXERS AND MANAGER BARRED

Portland, Ore.—Suspension for one year of Jimmy Sacco and Frankie Britt has been announced by the Portland boxing commission as a result of their performance in a bout, which was to have gone ten rounds, but which Referee Gruman called no contest after it had gone less than four rounds. Abe Matin, manager for Sacco, also was suspended for the same period, but has asked the commission for a hearing. According to members of the commission Britt did not seem to be able to fight and Sacco did not try. The commission announced it would give to charity the amounts Sacco and Britt were to have received.

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GOOD BOXERS BEING DEVELOPED IN ITALY

The Italians are making splendid progress in their home country and other parts of Europe in the boxing game. The World War took the Yanks and British into Italy where they taught the sons of Garabaldi the fistic art. In the States the Americanized Italians have become most efficient with the gloves, as Johnny Dundee can attest. Dundee is Italian, and so is Johnny Wilson, middleweight champion, also Pete Herman, ex-bantam champion. During the past year the Italians developed the following champions: Heavyweight, Emilio Spalla; middleweight, M. Fraltini; lightweight, M. Bosisio; featherweight, E. Piccentini; flyweight, M. Marzsrati. At a recent boxing show in Paris the above five champions boxed five French boys. Spalla was beaten in the second round of his bout with Marcel Nilles, French champion. Frattini did wonderfully well against Ercole Balzac and was entitled to the decision, but had to be satisfied with a draw. The French boy Travet gave Bosisio a beating, the latter tossing up the sponge in the third round. Paul Fritsch, the French star had a hard time getting the decision over Piacentini in ten rounds. The Italian had the heavier artillery, but Fritsch's cleverness carried him safely through. Marzsrati was beaten by Gleizes, a French boy, who recently won the flyweight title of France. All in all, the Italians made a good showing and will surely improve as they go along, which will spell trouble for the European boxers in the future.

Tommy Loughran Loses Chance of Fistic Career When He Gets Greb Off Form But Fails to Win

Lack of Aggressiveness Keeps Philadelphia Boxer From Being Champion, Says Billy Rocap—Has Everything Else that Goes to Make a World Beater But Can't Seem to Make Full Use of His Talents When Facing the Big Opportunity.

BY WILLIAM H. ROCAP
(Sports Editor, Philadelphia Public Ledger)

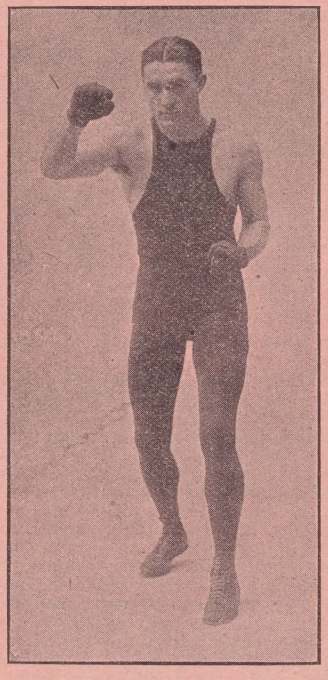
TOMMY LOUGHRAN, Philadelphia's hope for the middle and light heavyweight titles, sacrificed the opportunity of his ring career in Madison Square Garden, Jan. 30th. To use the parlance of the ring, there is not enough devil in his nature. He lacks aggressiveness. There was Harry Greb, light heavyweight champion of America, floundering around the ring, missing punches galore, some by inches, others by the proverbial mile in the late sessions, yet in the early rounds he had hit Loughran with everything he possessed, and did not faze the St. Monica Catholic Club champion. In fact, Loughran's face was unmarked, and it was not until the seventh round that his lips changed color, despite the fact he had been jabbed often by Greb. In view of these conditions, the trained eye at the ringside expected to see Loughran carry Greb along at top speed after the tenth round. Force the bout. Fight Greb off his feet. He had the physical ability to do it. Whenever he led with a straight left it found a resting-place on Greb's chin and lips, from which the blood trickled. Loughran was fresh at the finish. In fact, he appeared that he could go ten more rounds. Greb was visibly tired.

He Fought Two Men

Loughran's friends who were at the ringside will tell you that he fought two men instead of one; that the referee favored Greb all through the bout, and was constantly warning the Philadelphian for the champion's infractions of the rules. In that assertion they are partly correct. Kid McPartland, the third man in the ring, was a lightweight of international repute in 1896-97-98-99. He knows boxing from all its angles, and is a capable, conscientious official. But the best of us can be tricked. So was McPartland by Greb. As early as the third round Greb discovered that Loughran could shoot his right for the body with all his 166-poundage back of it. Several of these blows made Greb wince. Then his ring brain began to work.

Greb Pulls Old Trick

That right must be put out of commission, conjured Greb to himself. So, a la Freddie Welsh in all the subsequent rounds up to the last two, he sent his left out as a tease. Sometimes the blows landed. More often did they miss. Then, with his ring artfulness, he slipped his left under Loughran's right arm. Instinctively, the Philadelphian held it there. That is just exactly what Greb wanted. He made Loughran fall into the trap, and made the referee think Loughran was holding, for which he was constantly warned. Greb certainly did fool McPartland, even with all the latter's ring experience. He accomplished his purpose; he kept Loughran's right out of commission.



TOMMY LOUGHRAN

Tricked the Referee

Throughout the contest when in close quarters Greb persisted in holding Loughran's head with his left and pommeling away with his right. Such a trick has moss all over it. McPartland was never guilty of such unfair tactics in his ring days. Why should he permit it at this late day, when the evolution of boxing has forbidden such scurvy methods? What Loughran should have done with both arms free would have been to whale away and make Greb back up. It was that lack of aggressiveness then and throughout the bout that lost him the decision. He will never be a champion until he takes a leaf out of the record books of Fitzsimmons. McGovern, O'Brien, Ketchel, Leonard, Tendler and other aggressive boxers.

Youth and lack of experience may be offered as Loughran's excuse, but a half dozen youngsters at his age were national titleholders. He may take solace in the fact that the man he carried along for fifteen rounds on Tuesday night has a record of trouncing Bill Brennan, Bob Roper, Bartley Madden, Homer Smith, Fay Keiser, Charley Weinert, Chick Wiggins, Tommy Gibbons, Kid Norfolk, Joe Cox and other lesser ring celebrities.

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Hot Shots of Boxing News from Chicago

PUGILISTICALLY speaking, everything is seemingly upset in our loop these days. The wails of Sailor Friedman, Pal Moore, Bill Tate and Mike Dundee have thrown a shock into the peaceful fans of our boxing rialto. The Windy City fans were hopeful that the above boxers would get a chance in title bouts with the champs of their respective classes. But developments show that the above quartet have not been taken into consideration by the big promoters.

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DICK CURLEY, it seems, is more talkative than the rest of the managers. His reasons are Mike Dundee and Sailor Friedman. Says Dick, "Burman and Lynch, eh! Gee the fans forget things quick. Why Dundee beat Burman last summer, winning the decision in every paper. Does he have to prove it again?" Then a bystander stated that Mike is too big for the bantams. "But didn't he make 120 pounds for Midget Smith when he won easier than Lynch's victory over the Midget recently. And Mike will make the 118-pound mark too—but for the champ only. A $5,000 forfeit says he will." It can be recalled that the Italian in four consecutive battles had as opponents, Dick Loadman, 129 pounds, a junior lightweight; Joe Burman at the featherweight limit; Eddie Anderson at the junior feather scale, and Midget Smith at the bantam notch. The remarkable ability of this lad in fighting in different classes was the talk of the fistic fans. Burman, Anderson and Smith, he defeated within a period of 31 days.

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NO MANAGER ever stops talking in one paragraph, so Dick keeps up his monologue and now has a crowd of sympathizing listeners surrounding him in the office lobby of Mr. Howard Carr's Arcade Gym, taking in his tale of woe as follows:

"I don't have to tell you guys about Sailor Friedman—everybody knows that he stood the test with Leonard and Tendler. Also his recent knockout over the much feared Eddie Fitzsimmons. As for White, Benny already kayoed him and the champ won the popular verdict over Lew, while Sailor was the only lightweight that ever won a newspaper decision over Leonard since he won the title and that happened in Philadelphia a year ago. I want a White match, the winner for Tendler and the best man for Benny."

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HUSTLING to and fro in the spacious gym is Kid Howard himself, seeing that the numerous leather-pushers are being accommodated. While taking care of the mob, he managed to slip these words in a spare moment, taking the floor from Curley: "Now all you'se guys that pay your cold cash has got the right to know the real truth about this heavyweight mix-up," the Kid orates. "Now, Tate and Harry Wills met in Portland about a year ago, and Bill hit Wills one in the pit of the midsection and that guy claimed a foul—I'll swear to this day that he quit. Well, we gives him another chance the following week and the referee has the nerve to give Wills a lucky draw. Since that time he has turned down six good offers to battle my man. Right now it seems everybody else has got the 'Willsitis' too." Everybody is "yesing" the Kid, too. Well, he is the boss, you know.

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INTO HOWARD'S plush carpet office lobby, springingly and sprightly comes the footsteps of a refreshing looking fellow, all polished up after his shower. It sounds as though he is talking to himself—oh, no, not cuckoo—but according to the latest wrinkle in kidding yourself, as he draws nearer, we hear: "Day by day in every way I'm getting better—day by day——" He is none other than the "Modern Pal Moore," as he terms himself. Pal gains the attention of Howard's cash customers. "It ain't right, I say, to let that Filipino get away with that stuff 'bout representing we Americans against Jimmy Wilde. 'Punko' Villa, or whatever he calls hisself, comes over here and beats a few kids and then calls himself the American Champion. And I fought for Uncle Sam too. I mean when I was fighting for the good old U. S. A. while in the navy on the other side I met the famous Jimmy Wilde and when he was in his prime too. Well, I won the referee's decision over him in 20 rounds, so you see I must of given him a good licking to gain the decision from those English referees. And while over there I was labeled Knockout Pal Moore—yeh, that's true, too. You heard 'bout that French featherweight, Champion Eugene Crique, who is matched to battle Johnny Kilbane—well, I knocked that frog out in 14 rounds. Why dem frog-eaters think I'm great, but over here they think I'm through because I put up a bad fight with the 122-pound Jack Kid Wolfe. Say, didn't he make Lynch and Jerome look bad too, so it wasn't my fault after all. Why only recently I scaled 114½ pounds for my two victories over Bud Taylor and that kid still thinks he can lick me—but he'll know different after Feb. 13 in Indianapolis. And another thing here is a wire from Frank Mulkern of Milwaukee where Villa refuses a $7,000 offer for a battle with me. And I wonder why Carl Tremaine pulled out of the Windsor, Canada, date. Maybe he still recalls our last meeting."

Well thinking it over, that Moore fellow has a lot of logical talk at that.

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IN EVERY NOOK and corner there seems to be trouble. The sensible manager of Patsy Flannigan, Joe Keefe, wisely states that Joe Burman was too experienced for Patsy. But that fighting Irish blood was in full display. "Wait 'til we get a few fights under the belt—then for Tommy Walsh's entry." The Burman and Flannigan affair drew around $8,000.

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Last Week's Results

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Frankie Jerome defeated Larry Goldberg, twelve rounds, at New York City, Feb. 2nd.

Willie Davies and Eddie Brady boxed six rounds to a draw at New York City, Feb. 2nd.

Barney Keeley defeated Patsy Brocco, four rounds, at New York City, Feb. 2nd.

Joe Glick defeated Al Kale, ten rounds, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb. 2nd.

Tommy Gerard knocked out Young Feb, eighth round at Newark, N. J., Feb. 2nd.

Mixer Mitchell defeated Canastota Box, ten rounds, at Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 2nd.

Mike Schultz and Joe Lietz boxed eight rounds to a draw at Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 2.

Al Willis defeated Martin Judge, ten rounds, at Mt. Carmel, Pa., Feb. 2nd.

MIDDLE WEST

Pinkey Mitchell defeated Bud Logan, ten rounds, at Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 30th.

Johnny Schauer and Eddie Boehm boxed eight rounds to a draw at Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 30th.

Ernie Gooseman and Walter Grayjack boxed six rounds to a draw at Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 30th.

Jim Delaney defeated Ted Jamieson, ten rounds, at Davenport, Iowa, Feb. 2nd.

Joe Burman defeated Patsy Flanagan, ten rounds, at Chicago, Ill. Jan. 29th,.

Iron Mike Kawalski defeated Jack Rudy, six rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 25th.

Ben Kramer defeated Jack Murray, four rounds, at Chicago, Ill. Jan. 25th.

Tom White defeated Mickey Kerst, six rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 25th.

Ray Rachel defeated Frankie Parker, four rounds, at Chicago, Ill. Jan. 25th.

Iron Mike Kawalski knocked out Al Walsh second round, at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 27th.

Frankie Kennard knocked out Whitey Ross, first round, at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 27th.

Bob Devine and Jack Henry boxed six rounds to a draw at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 27th.

Joe Franks and Jimmie Dennis boxed six rounds to a draw at Chicago, Ill., Jan 27th.

Iron Mike Kawalski knocked out Jimmie Duffy, third round, at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 30th.

Jack Lawrence defeated George Parker, six rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 30th.

Charlie Rychel knocked out George Moore, fifth round, at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 30th.

Ray Rychel defeated Jack McGern, four rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 30th.

Billy Sterns and Mike Snyder boxed eight rounds to a draw at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 29th.

Jack McCarthy defeated Joie McLaughling six rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 29th.

Tim Hurst defeated Joie Daily, six rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 29th.

Kid Bandy defeated Rocky Joyce, six rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Jan. 29th.

Frankie Kennard defeated Puggy Morton, six rounds, at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 2nd.

Sonny Lloyd and Bobbie Cooper boxed six rounds to a draw at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 2nd.

Mike Kovalski and Tommy McCarthy boxed six rounds to a draw at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 2nd.

Paul Philippe defeated Mud McHale, eight rounds, at Staunton, Ill., Jan. 29th.

Billy Britton knocked out Ora Dean, second round, at Staunton, Ill., Jan. 29th.

Harold Plude knocked out Quincy Quigley, second round, at Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 2nd.

Battling Strayer defeated Phil Long, six rounds, at Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 2nd.

Johnny Harris and Jackie Nichols boxed six rounds to a draw at Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 2nd.

Carl Martin defeated Lou Rollinger, six rounds, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Feb. 2nd.

Earl McArthur knocked out Frankie Jummati, sixth round, at Sioux City, Iowa, Feb. 2nd.

Harold Jelsma knocked out Jimmy Clyde, fourth round, at Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 26th.

Ted Zanfes knocked out Sid Seklyn, fourth round, at Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 26th.

Billy Conley defeated Roy Conley, ten rounds, at Wichita, Kans. Jan. 31st.

Sammy Mandell defeated Stewart McLean, ten rounds, at Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 2nd.

Joe Quinn defeated Chuck Lambert, ten rounds, at Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 2nd.

FAR WEST

Earl Miller knocked out Red McCauley, eighth round, at Wallace, Idaho, Jan. 29th.

SOUTH

Young Stribling defeated Harry Krohn, ten rounds, at Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 30th.

Baby Stribling defeated Young Charlie White, at Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 30th.

"Walloping Wop" defeated Joe Carter at Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 30th.

Mike Murphy knocked out Kid Joiner, seventh round, at Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 30th.

Tim O'Dowd defeated Babe Asher, ten rounds, at Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 29th

Lew Silver knocked out Joe White, fifth round, at Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 29th.

Joe Carter defeated Soldier Davis, six rounds, at Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 29th.

Tim O'Rourke knocked out Red Nash, first round, at Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 29th.

Bobby Green knocked out Mel Stevenson, fourth round, at San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 31st.

Jack Wills knocked out Jack Tolar at San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 31st.

Matty Deschter and Kid Burns boxed to a draw at San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 31st.

Kid Gilbert knocked out Jimmy O'Dare, fifth round, at San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 31st.

Frank Demari and Billy Kennedy boxed ten rounds to a draw at New Orleans, La., Jan. 29th.

Tommy Marvin and Ernie Perron boxed ten rounds to a draw at New Orleans, La., Jan. 29th.

Pascal Colletti defeated Bobby Hughes, ten rounds, at New Orleans, La., Jan. 29th.

Kid Carlin defeated Monk Kelly, six rounds, at New Orleans, La., Jan. 29th.

Jimmy Sayres and Eddie Grant boxed eight rounds to a draw at Louisville, Ky., Jan. 29th.

"Knockout" Smith and Sailor Jim Marples boxed ten rounds to a draw at Hot Springs, Ark., Jan. 31st.

Marvel Mars defeated Battling Guerney, six rounds, at Fort Thomas, Ky., Feb. 1st.

PACIFIC COAST

California Joe Lynch defeated Johnny Buff, four rounds, at Oakland, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Chick Roach defeated Sammy Pelsinger, four rounds, at Oakland, Calif., Jan 31st.

Dynamite Murphy defeated Harold Farese, four rounds, at Oakland, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Ray Pelkey knocked out Charlie Martino, first round, at Oakland, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Pete Francis defeated Eddie Gorman, four rounds, at Oakland, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Tommy Harris defeated Young Springfield, four rounds, at Oakland, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Dick Hoppe defeated Eddie Diggins, four rounds, at San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 30th.

Joe Monahan and Jack McDonald boxed four rounds to a draw at San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Ray Evans knocked out Ray Cooper, fourth round, at San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Phil Salvadore defeated Sailor Ashmore, four rounds, at Hollywood, Calif., Feb. 2nd.

Ray Smiley defeated Mickey Gibbons, four rounds, at San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Bobby Gray knocked out Young Mike Gibbons, first round, at San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Henry Faligano and Frankie Fandz boxed four rounds to a draw at San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Jack Rafferty knocked out Art Walker, third round, at San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Tommy Gonzales knocked out Frankie Miller, first round, at San Francisco, Calif. Jan. 31st.

Al Ney knocked out Eddie Booth, third round, at San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Red Watson defeated Jimmy Myers, four rounds, at San Diego, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Bernie Kilroy and Frisco Lewis boxed four rounds at San Diego, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Billy Ketcheli defeated Terry McGowan, four rounds, at San Diego, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Joe Padilla defeated Georgie Price, four rounds, at San Diego, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Tommy Byers knocked out Earl Treat, first round, at San Diego, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Joe Benjamin defeated Jack Josephs, four rounds, at Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 30th.

Sailor Jimmy Hackley knocked out Frankie Leonard, first round, at Torrance, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Young Ditto knocked out Red Manning, first round, at Torrance, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Sailor Reeves knocked out Eddie Sarren, first round, at Torrance, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Young Nino knocked out Battling Marke, fourth round, at Torrance, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Joe Jackson knocked out Kid Pine, third round, at Torrance, Calif., Jan. 31st.

Dode Bercot defeated Billy Kid Johnson, six rounds, at Seattle, Wash., Jan. 30th.

Harry Anderson and Young O'Dowd boxed six rounds to a draw at Seattle Wash., Jan. 30th.

Frankie Green and Sailor Buell boxed four rounds to a draw at Seattle, Wash., Jan. 30th.

Johnny Mack and Eddie McCarthy boxed to a draw at Seattle, Wash., Jan. 30th.

Joe Goddard defeated Sailor Cortez at Seattle, Wash., Jan. 30th.

Eddie Roberts defeated Eddie Richards, six rounds. at Seattle, Wash., Feb. 1st.

Joe Black and Johnny Jordan boxed six rounds to a draw at Seattle, Wash., Feb. 1st.

Cyclone Folmer and Ernie Farren boxed four rounds to a draw at Seattle, Wash., Feb. 1st.

Young Manila and Freddie McCue boxed four rounds to a draw at Seattle, Wash., Feb. 1st.

Art Sorrento knocked out Harold Bezollie at Seattle, Wash., Feb. 1st.

Eddie Roberts defeated Eddie Richards, six rounds, at Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 1st.

Vic Foley defeated Eddie Neil, eight rounds, at Everett, Wash., Jan. 30th.

Johnny Mack knocked out Billy Nash, second round. at Everett, Wash., Jan. 30th.

Soldier Woods defeated "Wildcat" Leonard, four rounds, at Everett, Wash., Jan. 30th.

Bert Dunbar defeated Cliff Taro, four rounds, at Everett, Wash., Jan. 30th.

EUROPE

Boy McCormick won on a foul from Wild Burt Kenny in the fourth round at Manchester, England, Feb. 2nd.

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Andrews' Ring Gossip

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Joe Lynch a year ago, through his manager, Willard Stuart, has entered a protest against Kid Williams, at one time bantam champion, claiming to be in that class any more. Says Mr. Stuart: "We were requested to take on Kid Williams at Providence, R. I., for the benefit of the Wounded Veterans of the World War, and agreed to do so at 118 pounds. The forfeit was placed at $250 and we accepted. We posted our forfeit and were told that Williams had done likewise. Then came a report that Williams could not do better than 120 pounds at 3 o'clock. We agreed to this rather than disappoint the Veterans and our money remained up. The matchmaker said all was O. K., but the day of the battle Williams went around and weighed in at 2 o'clock and not at 3. He was overweight and I learned then that no forfeit had been posted. The promoter then agreed to pay the forfeit out of Williams end and we agreed to take him on. I learned later that the Kid scaled 128 pounds. He utilized him weight by laying on O'Dowd in the clinches and Eddie was badly handicapped. To cap the climax the referee waited till near the end of the bout and then disqualified O'Dowd for holding. They also refused to pay the forfeit. However, the club management would not stand for the raw deal and paid Eddie the money due him for the contest."

According to Jack Rogers, right hand man to Dan Morgan, all of Jack Britton's troubles and the loss of his welterweight title, was due to his Havana trip. When Jack was champion he went over to Cuba to box Jimmy Kelly and while there contracted malaria fever. That was after his match with Benny Leonard. It might be mentioned too, that Jack was in the best form when he met Benny, however, when he took on Mickey Walker he thought he was right, but after the sixth round found out very different. Jack admitted that Walker won fairly and deserved all the credit that goes with such a victory. Jack has been resting up and may possibly take another whirl at the game, but not unless he is convinced that he is absolutely in the best of condition. The match Jack prefers to all others is with Dave Shade, who seeks a title match with Walker.

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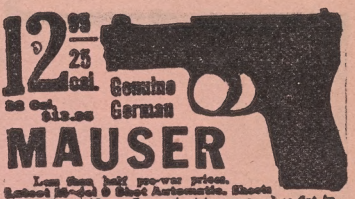

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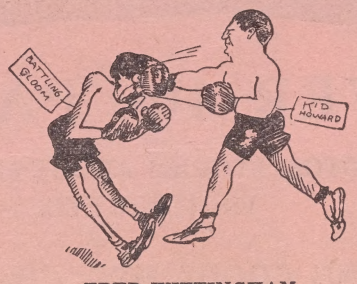

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